



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231
www.uspto.gov



Bib Data Sheet

CONFIRMATION NO. 9923

SERIAL NUMBER 09/725,257	FILING DATE 11/29/2000 RULE	CLASS 034	GROUP ART UNIT 3749	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 503.30414C19
------------------------------------	---	---------------------	-------------------------------	--

APPLICANTS

Shigekazu Kato, Kudamatsu-shi, JAPAN;
Kouji Nishihata, Tokuyama-shi, JAPAN;
Tsunehiko Tsubone, Hikari-shi, JAPAN;
Atsushi Itou, Kudamatsu-shi, JAPAN;

** CONTINUING DATA *****

THIS APPLICATION IS A CON OF 09/552,572 04/19/2000
WHICH IS A DIV OF 09/461,432 12/16/1999 ABN
WHICH IS A CON OF 09/177,495 10/23/1998 PAT 6,012,235
WHICH IS A CON OF 09/061,062 04/16/1998 PAT 5,950,330
WHICH IS A CON OF 08/882,731 06/26/1997 PAT 5,784,799
WHICH IS A DIV OF 08/593,870 01/30/1996 PAT 5,661,913
WHICH IS A CON OF 08/443,039 05/17/1995 PAT 5,553,396
WHICH IS A DIV OF 08/302,443 09/09/1994 PAT 5,457,896
WHICH IS A CON OF 08/096,256 07/26/1993 PAT 5,349,762
WHICH IS A CON OF 07/751,951 08/29/1991 PAT 5,314,509

** FOREIGN APPLICATIONS *****

JAPAN 02-225321 08/29/1990

IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE
GRANTED ** 12/12/2000

Foreign Priority claimed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	STATE OR COUNTRY JAPAN	SHEETS DRAWING 1	TOTAL CLAIMS 25	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 20
35 USC 119 (a-d) conditions met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> Met after Allowance				
Verified and Acknowledged <i>P. Wilson</i> Examiner's Signature Initials				

ADDRESS

020457

TITLE

Vacuum processing apparatus and operating method therefor

FILING FEE RECEIVED
710

FEES: Authority has been given in Paper
No. _____ to charge/credit DEPOSIT ACCOUNT
No. _____ for following:

<input type="checkbox"/> All Fees
<input type="checkbox"/> 1.16 Fees (Filing)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1.17 Fees (Processing Ext. of time)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1.18 Fees (Issue)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

<input type="checkbox"/>	Credit
--------------------------	--------